

Preliminary Amendment  
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International Preliminary Examination (IPE). A copy of the amended drawings is attached.

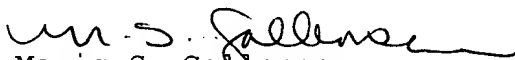
It is respectfully requested that the attached IPE amended drawings (Figs. 1-3) be entered into the prosecution history of the subject application.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment amends Claim 4 to produce new amended Claim 4, which is not multiply dependent. Claims 6 and 7 were added to provide similar coverage. Once examination on the merits has begun, the Applicant may elect to amend new amended Claim 4 to make this claim multiply dependent or to add additional claims to this application to provide coverage similar to, broader than, or narrower than the present claims.

Amendment of the subject application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Enclosures: Appendix A  
copy of IPE amended drawings (Figs. 1-3)

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- subjecting the resulting electrolyte film to absorb an ion conductive liquid electrolyte.

(Amendments)

## DRAWINGS

Fig. 1

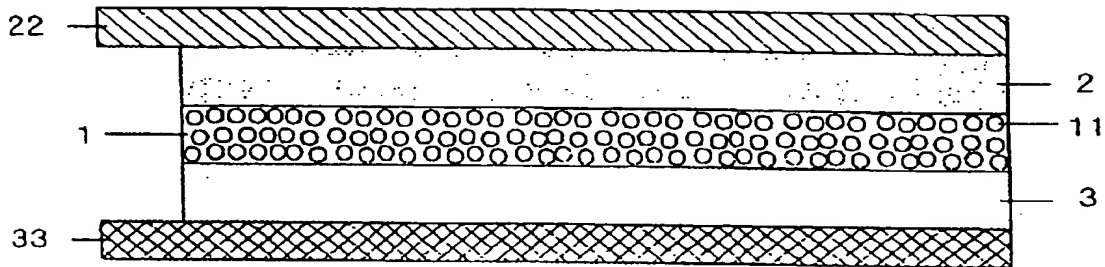


Fig. 2

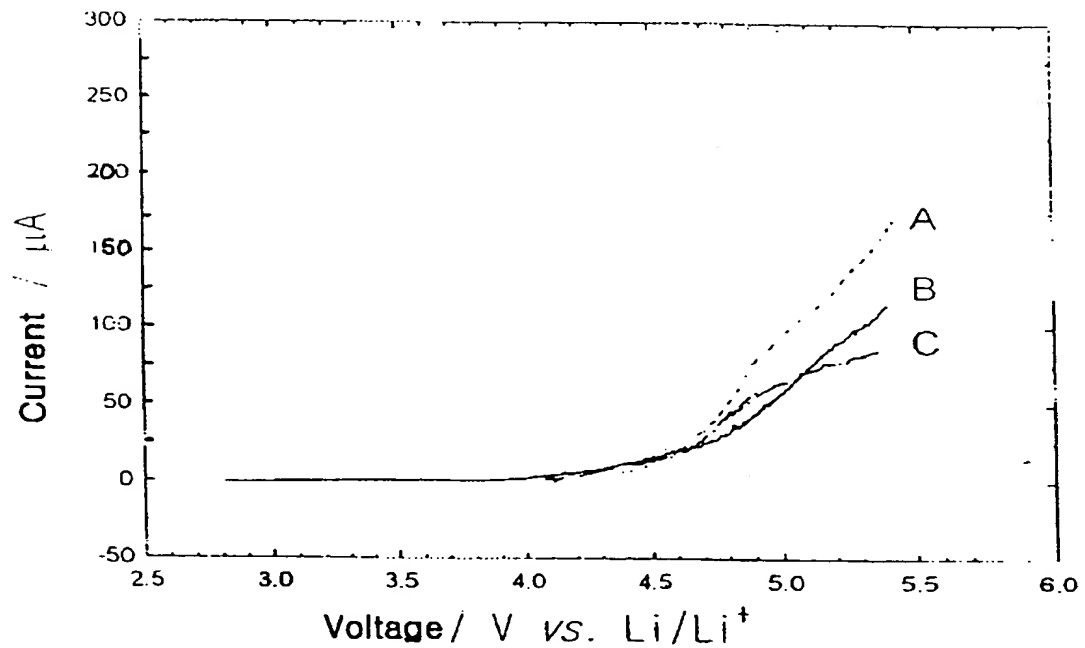


Fig. 3

